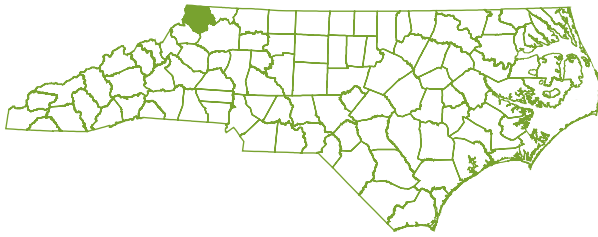


ASHE COUNTY



Total Acres in County 272,742

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE - 2002

Number of Farms	1,152
Total Land in Farms, Acres	107,930
Average Farm Size, Acres	94
Harvested Cropland, Acres	21,239
Average Age of Farmers	56
Average Value of Farm & Building	\$379,042
Average Market Value of Machinery & Equipment	\$36,210
Average Total Farm Production Expense	\$24,798

CROPS - 2006

	ACRES HARV.	YIELD	PRODUCTION	RANK
Barley: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Corn for Grain: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Corn for Silage: Tons	*	*	*	*
Cotton: 480 Lb. Bales	*	*	*	*
Hay, All: Tons	12,000	2.60	31,200	13
Irish Potatoes: Cwt.	*	*	*	*
Oats: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Peanuts: Lbs.	*	*	*	*
Sorghum: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Soybeans: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Sweetpotatoes: Cwt.	*	*	*	*
Tobacco, Burley: Lbs.	50	1,780	89,000	21
Tobacco, Flue-Cured: Lbs.	*	*	*	*
Wheat: Bu.	*	*	*	*

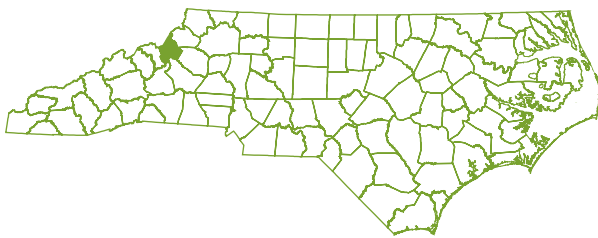
LIVESTOCK

	NUMBER	RANK
Broilers Produced (2006)	*	*
Cattle, All (Jan. 1, 2007)	15,500	20
Beef Cows (Jan. 1, 2007)	7,000	19
Milk Cows (Jan. 1, 2007)	*	*
Chickens, Excluding Broilers (Dec. 1, 2006)	*	*
Hogs and Pigs (Dec. 1, 2006)	*	*
Turkeys Raised (2006)	*	*

CASH RECEIPTS - 2005

	DOLLARS	RANK
Livestock, Dairy and Poultry	5,763,000	74
Crops	37,267,000	25
Government Payments	2,593,000	71
Total	45,623,000	52

AVERY COUNTY



Total Acres in County 158,093

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE - 2002

Number of Farms	495
Total Land in Farms, Acres	30,614
Average Farm Size, Acres	62
Harvested Cropland, Acres	9,963
Average Age of Farmers	54
Average Value of Farm & Building	\$264,169
Average Market Value of Machinery & Equipment	\$32,853
Average Total Farm Production Expense	\$31,312

CROPS - 2006

	ACRES HARV.	YIELD	PRODUCTION	RANK
Barley: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Corn for Grain: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Corn for Silage: Tons	*	*	*	*
Cotton: 480 Lb. Bales	*	*	*	*
Hay, All: Tons	900	2.00	1,800	84
Irish Potatoes: Cwt.	*	*	*	*
Oats: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Peanuts: Lbs.	*	*	*	*
Sorghum: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Soybeans: Bu.	*	*	*	*
Sweetpotatoes: Cwt.	*	*	*	*
Tobacco, Burley: Lbs.	*	*	*	*
Tobacco, Flue-Cured: Lbs.	*	*	*	*
Wheat: Bu.	*	*	*	*

LIVESTOCK

	NUMBER	RANK
Broilers Produced (2006)	*	*
Cattle, All (Jan. 1, 2007)	1,000	84
Beef Cows (Jan. 1, 2007)	600	82
Milk Cows (Jan. 1, 2007)	*	*
Chickens, Excluding Broilers (Dec. 1, 2006)	*	*
Hogs and Pigs (Dec. 1, 2006)	*	*
Turkeys Raised (2006)	*	*

CASH RECEIPTS - 2005

	DOLLARS	RANK
Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	450,000	97
Crops	37,366,000	23
Government Payments	817,000	84
Total	38,633,000	66